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In re Application of  
Robert W. Curley, Jr., et al.  
Application No. 10/719,429  
Filed: November 21, 2003  
Attorney Docket No. 960296.00482

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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed May 8, 2008, to revive the above-identified application.

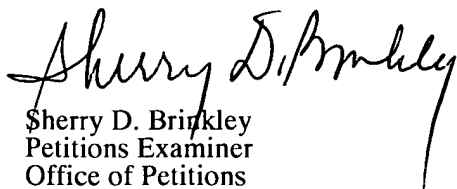
The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application became abandoned for failure to timely file a reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 to the final Office action mailed September 19, 2007. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on April 3, 2008. In response on May 8, 2008 the present petition was filed.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), including the fee of \$405 and the submission required by 37 CFR 1.114; (2) the petition fee of \$770; and (3) an adequate statement of unintentional delay<sup>1</sup>.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 1621 for processing of the RCE and for appropriate action by the Examiner in the normal course of business on the amendment submitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.114.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3204. Inquiries relating to further prosecution should be directed to the Technology Center.

  
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<sup>1</sup> 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) requires a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. While it is not apparent whether the person signing the statement of unintentional delay was in a position to have firsthand or direct knowledge of the facts and circumstances of the delay at issue, such statement is being treated as having been made as the result of a reasonable inquiry into the facts and circumstances of such delay. See 37 CFR 10.18(b) and Changes to Patent Practice and Procedure; Final Rule Notice, 62 Fed. Reg. 53131, 53178 (October 10, 1997), 1203 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 63, 103 (October 21, 1997). In the event that such an inquiry has not been made, petitioner must make such an inquiry. If such inquiry results in the discovery that it is not correct that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional, petitioner must notify the Office.